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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT: Message to Prince Fahd

Would you please [redacted] to convey the
following message to Prince Fahd:

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"Your Highness:

"I very much appreciated the opportunity to talk with you during my recent visit in Riyadh. The chance to exchange views with you after my very cordial talk with His Majesty contributed greatly to my further understanding of your concerns. Because it will be of great importance for our two governments to stay in very close touch during the days ahead, I believe this would be an opportune time for you to make the visit to the United States that we discussed together in Riyadh. I hope that you might be able to suggest a time so that we could talk before my departure for Europe the weekend of December 8.

"Having reflected further on my conversations in Riyadh now that I am back in Washington, I continue to feel that it will be very difficult for us to be as helpful as we would like in the negotiations ahead if we remain under the threat of a continuing oil boycott. It will be very difficult to explain in the United States that the continued shut-off of oil supply is the act of friends in the Middle East. In an atmosphere of confrontation, it will be hard for us to muster support for the posture that we shall have to adopt if the negotiations are to have any chance of succeeding.

"I hope it will be possible for us to discuss these and other matters of common interest in the near future.

"Warm personal regards, Henry A. Kissinger."

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Henry A. Kissinger

DECLAS - Date Impossible to Determine.

BYAUTH - Dr. Henry A. Kissinger